



Crop input and output marketing in Ethiopia: Experiences of the Tsehay Farmers Cooperative Union



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Introduction

- Tsehay Farmers Cooperative Union founded in 2000 with 5 cooperatives and is now is a Union of 63 cooperatives working at 12 Woredas in North Gondar Zone with 42,768 smallholder farmers producing mainly sesame, chickpea, malt barley, teff and ginger.
- The union purchases barley, chickpea, teff and spices from its members and sells different inputs (fertilizers, seeds and herbicides), consumable items and construction materials for discount for its members.
- Tsehay Union's vision is to improve the income and standard of living of its members through agricultural production and sustainable market linkages.
- Tsehay Union also ensures the benefits of member farmers through; processing and marketing products using agro-industries; strengthening capacity building and knowledge transfer; and market price information transfer

Farmers and experts trainings



Roles in N2Africa in North cluster partnership

- Multiply, package and deliver quality chickpea seed to member cooperatives (smallholder farmers) in North
- Bulk and buy chickpea grain from smallholder farmers through Multipurpose Farmer Cooperatives
- Train farmers on quality seed and grain production and potential risks of failure in meeting the product quality attributes.



Major partners of the North Cluster PPP.

Field days



Collecting, cleaning and packing



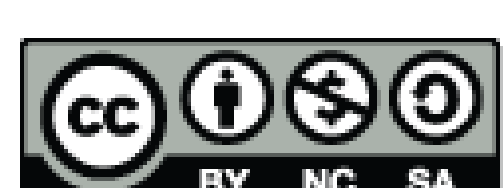
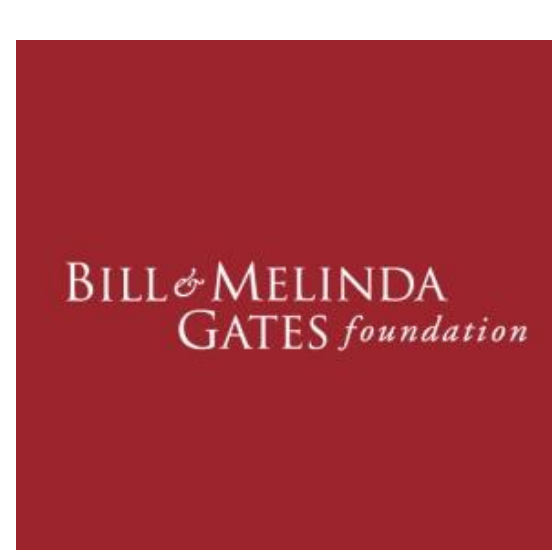
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